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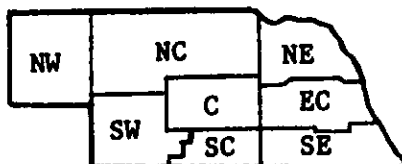
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## WEATHER

Temperatures averaged from near normal in the northern half of the State up to four degrees above normals in the east central. Scattered precipitation occurred throughout the week with amounts varying from a trace at North Platte up to 1.34 inches at Omaha.

## GENERAL

The main activities during February were: equipment maintenance, attending meetings, calving and lambing, tax preparations, moving grain to market, and some field work. The field work consisted mainly of cutting and shredding stalks, disking, and fertilizer application. Wheat growers in the West and Southwest were chiseling some fields to rough them up to try and cut down on wind erosion. Stored grains were reported to be in good condition in most areas.

## WINTER WHEAT

Winter wheat condition was rated at 15% poor, 46% fair, and 39% good. Last year, the

## WINTER WHEAT (Cont.)

condition was 26% poor, 64% fair, and 10% good. Blowing soil has caused damage to fields in many Western and Southwestern counties. The crop was breaking dormancy in several areas in the southern half of the State. Moisture will be needed as the crop begins to green up. Some areas reported winter kill in some fields due to lack of snow cover.

## LIVESTOCK

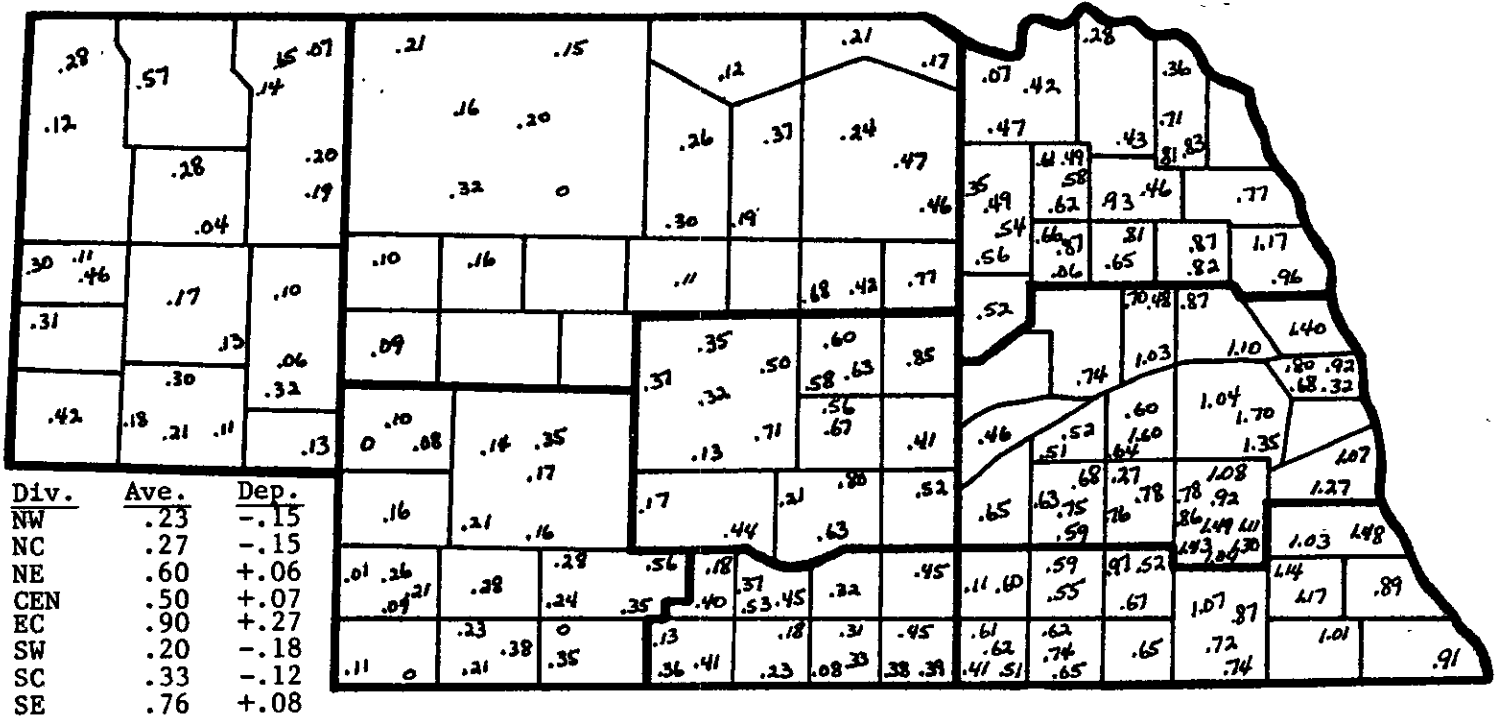
Feed grain supplies as well as hay and forage supplies were average to slightly above average. Livestock were still utilizing stalk fields in most areas of the State. Pasture and range condition was 1% very poor, 21% poor, 52% fair, and 26% good. The mild weather has helped to stretch feed supplies and also has helped keep livestock losses at a low level. Cattle condition rated 13% fair, 74% good, and 13% excellent. Calving was considered to be 20% complete with very few problems reported. Lambing was also well underway, and in some areas winding down, also with few problems.

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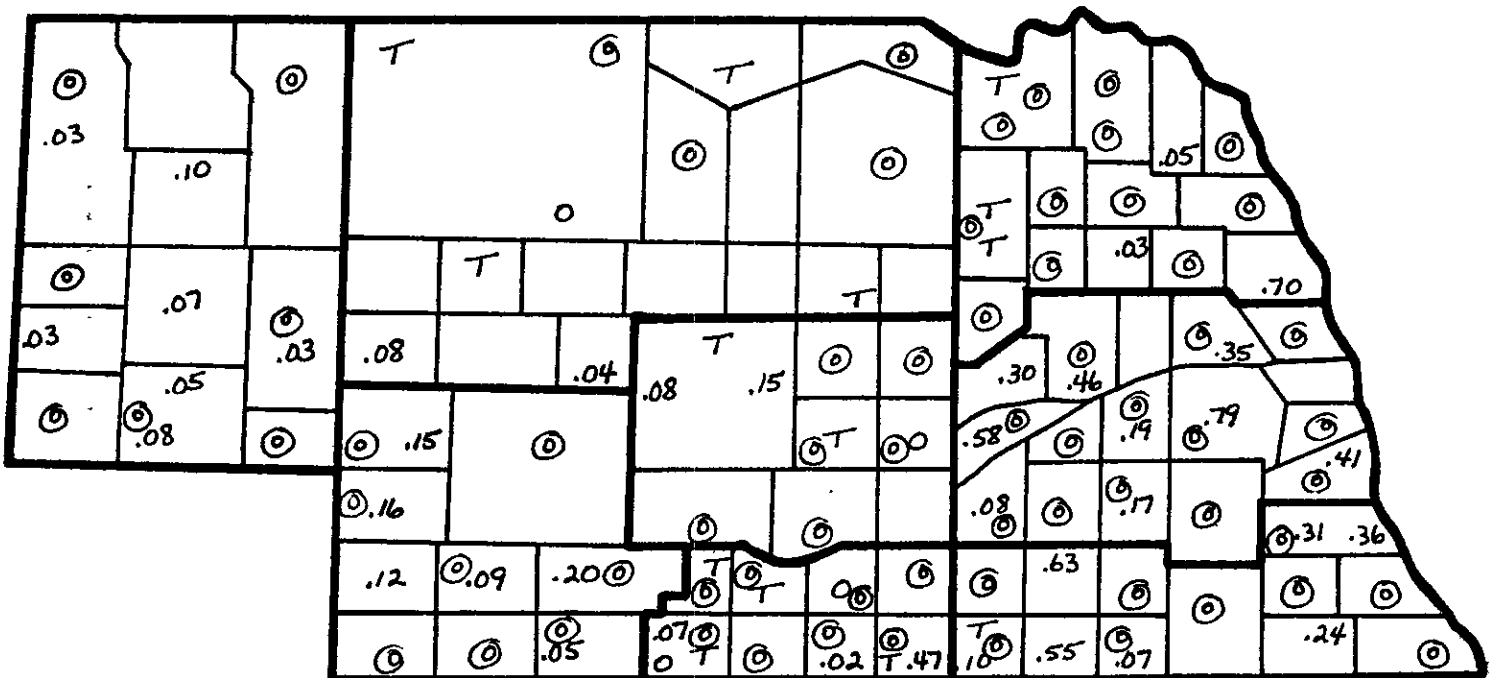
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# PRECIPITATION MAP FOR MONTH OF JANUARY 1991 1/



1/ Courtesy of the Department of Agricultural Meteorology, Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources, The University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

## PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING FRIDAY, MARCH 1, 1991



Circled numbers indicate depth of snow in inches as of March 1, 1991.

## TEMPERATURE AND PRECIPITATION DATA FOR WEEK ENDING SUNDAY, MARCH 3, 1991

Station		Temperature				Precipitation
		Extremes		Mean	Departure	Total Inches 1/
		Max	Min			
NW	Chadron	59	9	29	---	.10
	Scottsbluff	62	9	32	0	.03
	Sidney	59	8	33	---	---
NC	Ord	61	11	32	---	.48
	Valentine	61	3	28	+1	.03
NE	Norfolk	60	8	29	+1	.01
	Sioux City	56	13	30	+2	.10
CEN	Grand Island	66	13	32	+1	.32
EC	Lincoln	66	16	35	+4	.62
	Omaha	61	15	31	+2	1.34
SW	Imperial	65	2	33	---	0
	North Platte	65	2	32	+2	T

1/ Precipitation totals not included in map above.